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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I am currently using Sonic as my isp. In my area the choice is pretty much only broadband providers that data caps and business practices I disagree with. I use the internet both for entertainment and my work as an independent contractor. In this day and age having no internet in my home is not an option. I support broadband competition because it lets me choose businesses who operate in line with my feelings about how the internet should be. I support broadband competition because it lets me choose a company who's customer service department is based locally, friendly, and helpful. Without broadband competition I wouldn't be able to choose a better provider and the remaining providers wouldn't have the pressure to provide quality service or competitive rates. With the recent Verizon isp issues during the California wild fires we can see the future of isp behavior in a world with less competition. Please for me and the other consumers who are speaking with our wallets keep the competition we have.

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